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SUBJECT: CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S VISIT TO AFRICA

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1. ZAMBIA DESK OFFICER BRIEFED FRG EMBASSY OFFICER, OTTO SCHNITTGER, EXTENSIVELY ON KAUNDA VISIT MAY 22. BELIEVE THAT REPORT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN BONN BY NOW. IN BRIEF, PRESIDENTS FOUND GREAT PERSONAL SYMPATHY AND GRATIFYING SIMILARITY OF VIEWS. THEIR ATTENTION WAS DEVOTED ALMOST ENTIRELY TO SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES. KAUNDA URGED US TO PRESS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS AND ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE ON RHODESIA. HE PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY ENDORSED CONTACT GROUP PROPOSAL ON NAMIBIA "IN PRINCIPLE", AND UNDERTOOK TO CONVENE FRONT LINE SUMMIT WITH SWAPO AS SOON AS FEASIBLE TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF AGREEMENT. US PROMISED APPROXIMATELY \$100 MILLION IN CONFIDENTIAL.

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BILATERAL ECONOMIC AID OVER CURRENT AND NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS (ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1979). THIS HAS SINCE BEEN TREATED IN ZAMBIAN MEDIA AS ONE OF OUTSTANDING SUBSTANTIVE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE VISIT. ZAMBIANS ARE ALSO LOOKING FORWARD TO IBRD-SPONSORED CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING ON ZAMBIA SCHEDULED FOR END OF JUNE IN PARIS, WHICH THEY HOPE WILL YIELD ADDITIONAL AID FROM WESTERN SOURCES, TO

COPE WITH ZAMBIA'S PRESSING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEM.

2. IN NIGERIA, THE PRESIDENT MADE NO OTHER MAJOR PUBLIC STATEMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE CITED REFTEL. WE HAVE POUCHED TEXTS OF TOASTS EXCHANGED ON APRIL 2 AND JOINT COMMUNIQUE RELEASED APRIL 2. VANCE

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